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Reference: Conservation Chemical Company
of Illinois, Inc. Site, Gary, Indiana
General Notice of Potential Liability

Dear Ms. Beasley:

This letter is IBM's response to EPA's general notice letter on CCC-Gary dated September 28, 1994, and received by IBM at its current address on October 10, 1994.

IBM is willing to perform or finance its proportionate share of appropriate remediation at the site and reimburse its proportionate share of EPA's appropriate costs.

Given IBM's small share at this site, participation would best be as a member of a PRP group, or preferably through a diminimis buyout.

IBM plans to attend the "kick-off" on November 10, 1994. Please contact the undersigned at the address shown or at (914) 766-2684 for future contact with IBM.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "T.A. Budge, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Thomas A. Budge, Jr.

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cc: Ms. Cynthia N. Kawakami

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